OFFICE: Over A. L. Power & Co's Store.

# JOB PRINTING

NEATLY EXECUTED AT SHORT NOTICE

M. MACARTNEY,

General Insurance Agent, and Justice of th Peace. Special attention given to Collections.-Office in T. Luce & Co's building, Alpena, Mich.

Surveyor. Office at the Livery Stable of & McGinn, corner of Second atreet and Line Road, Alpena. DR. WILKINSON,

Canadian Graduate. Office and residence on Second street, Alpena. All calls promptly attended Charges moderate.

J. D. HOLMES, Attorney at Law and Circuit Court Con J. MeTAVISH, M. D.,

J. B. TUTTLE,

ATTORNEY AT LAW, secuting Attorney U. S. Commissioner. Office, per of Secon1 and Water streets, Alpena, Mich.

A. JEYTE, M. D., Practical Physician, Surgeon, Accoucheur. Office in Fletcher's building, corner of Water and Sec-ond streets.

E. B. CHAMBERLIN. Local Commissioner of Duncan, Alpena and Außauble Hiver State Road. Office with A. Hopper.

A. L. SEAMAN, M. D. Physician, Surgeon and Accoucheur. Also Physician for attending the poor in and for the city and county of Alpena. Office, over Myers' store, corner of Second and Water streets. All calls promptly attended to night or day. Residence on Flotcher attect.

W. F. GOODENOW & CO., Dealers in Groceries and Provisions, Flower, Feed, Butter, Eggs, Etc., River street, Alpena, Mich.

J. P. HEALEY, Dealer in Choice Family Graceries, Provisi Yankee Notions, Etc., Second street, Alpena,

BEWICK, COMSTOCK & CO., Dealers in Dry Goods, Clothing, Hats, Caps, Bos and Shoes, Crockery, Groceries and Provision Alpena, Mich.

BOLTON & MeRAE, Wholesale and Retail dealers in Greecies and Provisions, Liquers Etc., Second street, north side the bridge, Alpena, Mich.

T. LUCE & CO.,
Dealers in Dry and Fancy Goods, Cicthing, Boots,
Shoes, Groceries, Provisions, Hardware, Patent
Medicines, Paints and Olis, Alpens, Mich.

J. T. BOSTWICK, Agt.

eder in Drugs, Medicines, Paints, Oils, Patent edicines, Wines and Liquers, Alpena, Mich. A. L. POWER & CO., Dealers in Chelce Family Groceries, Fruits, Vege-tables, Yankee Notions, Second street Alpena.

C. C. WHITNEY, Druggist and Phramaceutist. Dealer in Drugs Medicines, Teilet articles, Etc., Second street, Al-pena, Mich.

D. G. ABER. Manufacturer of, and dealer in all kinds of Fur-niture, Water street, Alpena, Mich.

E. MALSH,

Pure Sherry, Port, Claret, Catawba, Rhine Wine and Champagne, Alpena, Mich. THOMAS H. HUNT,

Inspector, and Commission dealer in Lumber,
Lath and Shingles. Particular attention given to
the inspection and shipping of lumber. Orders solicited for the purchase of lumber, lath and shinsles, Alpena, Mich.
REFERENCES-S. H. Sheldon & Co., Woods,
Perry & Co., Rust & King, Cleveland; Walbridge, \*\*REFERENCES-8. H. Sheldon & Co., Woods, Perry & Co., Rust & King, Cleveland; Walbridge, Thomas & Co., Sears & Holland, E. Curtis & Co., Toffedo:, Elishs Eldred, Mears, Bates & Co., Keley, Wood & Co., Hilliard, Pierce & Co., Avery, Murphy & Co., Blanchard & Borland, Chicago; Lea & Mose, R. B. Hubbard & Co., Feter Clicher & Co., Sandesky; D. Whitney, Jr., Wm. E. Warriner, L. M. Mason, Detroit; E. Harrington, T. Luce & Co., Campbell & Potter, A. F. Fletcher & Co., F. W. Gilchrist, Folkerts & Butterfield, Alpena; Mixer & Smith, Buffalo.

## WILLIAM MCMASTER

Dealer in, and Manufacturer of Boots, Shoes, Harnesses, Trunks, etc.

\*\*

## Cheboygan,

BENTON HOUSE,

4 M. S. GAGNON, Proprietor.

LIVERY STABLE

Livery Rigs Of all kinds, at reasonable rates.

McDADE & McGINN.

WM. H. PHELPS. Dealer in

Lime, Water Lime, Plaster Paris, and Wair.

Rendy Made Morter for Sale at all Contracts taken for all kinds of Mason Work, plain or ornamental. Material furnished if required. Office with A. L. Power & Co.

IRA STOUT, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Attention paid to

Collections, Payment of Taxes, Conveyances, &c. Office with J. D. Holmes, on Second street,

HAWKINS & ROCHON, House and Sign Painters Graining, Glazing, Paper Ranging, etc., done in the most approved style and weakmanlike manner, at the shortest notice. Shop in roar of Goodrich's jewelry store, on Second street.

Meat Market.

CHAS. HUEBER, On Water street, next to the Post Office, keeps tantly on hand, a good stock of all kinds of

FRESH MEATS.

# pena Ateckly A

Independent in all Things-Neutral in Nothing.

Politically Democratic.

VOLUME I.

ALPENA, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 1871.

NUMBER 6.

DENTIST.

JOY! JOY!! JOY!!! Good News to the Afflicted.

The Alpena Magnetic Spring Company

The Alpena Magnetic Spring Company. Beg leave to announce to the public that their new Bath House is now open to all. The water of this Spring is very powerful, and many remarkable cures have beet effected by its use. It cures many diseases of the Skin, Sciation, Rheumatiem, Chronic and tethomatery, Paralysis, Eryspicas, Dyspicas, Kadney Complaint, Neuralgus and all nervous diseases. None who are affected need diegar? Let all come and see for themselves. Cures are being perfermed every day which are truly wonderful. Bath House open from 7 A. M. until 9 P. M. during the week, and from 6 to 10 A. M. on Sundays. W.M. J. ROES, M. D.,

1 Consulting Physician and Manager.

Season Arrangements!

The Fast, Low Pressure, Upper Cabin Passenger E ATT Steamer Calena,

Capt. L. Boynton, WILL LEAVE M. I. L. L. E. A. V. E.

And every Friday, at 8 o'clock P. M.

At every Saturday, at 8 o'clock P. M.

In City every Saturday, at 10 o'clock P. M.

In every Saturday, at 10 o'clock A. M.

In the every Sanday, at 8 o'clock A. M.

In every Sanday, at 12 o'clock A. M.

In every Sanday, at 12 o'clock P. M.

The every Sanday, at 12 o'clock P. M.

The extra Sanday of 12 o'clock P. M.

The extra Sanday of 12 o'clock P. M.

The every Tunday, at 12 P. M.

The every Tunday, at 12 P. M.

The every Tunday, at 12 o'clock P. M.

Alpena every Tuesday, at 7 o'clock P. M. Aushalo every Tuesday, at 12 o'clock P. M. Arrive at Detroit Wednesday, at 8 o'clock P. M. Arrive at Cleveland Thursday, at 6 o'clock A. M. For, passage or freight apply to the following

R. Bissell & Son. Detroit, Mich.

Luce & Co., Alpena, Mich. TREASUREE'S NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that the undersigned. Treasurer of the city of Alvera, precived the tax roll for General. Cry and Highesy Taxes for the year BiX mathematical and the same will be retained by him for forty days thereafter; that during the first twenty days of said forty days, said Treasurer will rest ive all taxe assessed thereon without the addition of any commission or percentage for collection; that during the remaining twenty days of said forty days, persons paying taxes will be charged one per cent, additions on their assessments; and that after the expiration of said forty days, who will cause to be made out a copy of so much of said Assessment Rull as shall then remain due and unpuid, adding thereon such percentage as shall have been fixed by the Comment Council for the collection of such taxes or assessments, not exceeding four per cent. And that within ten days thereafter the said Treasurer will receive said last mention et roll and proceed to collect and receive the taxes thereon assessed up to the last Saturday of Octobe next.

Notice is further given, that the said Treasurer is not required by law to call upon the persons assessed on such roll, or demand the payment of such taxes.

Office at & Hepper's. PREASURER'S NOTICE.-Notice is here

Pated, Alpena, Jul 20, 185. City Treasurer Notice to Tax-Payers.

All persons wishing to pay their Highway Tax

of Alpena.

ALPRED RICHARDSON,

Overseer of Highways, know District No. 4,
in the Township of Alpen

Alpena, July 17, 1871. DISSOLUTION.

The partnership heretofore existing between P. M. Johnson and F. Bundy, under the firm of Bundy & Johnson is, by mutual consent, dissolved, and P. M. Johnson will close up the business.

P. M. Johnson F. BUNDY.

Above John M. 1871

Alpena, July 33, 1871. TATE OF MICHIGAN-Eighteenth Judicial Circuit—In Chancery. Sait pending in the Creuit Court for the County of Alpena, in Chancer at the City of Alpena, on the 10th day of July D. 1871. Marion Vaninwagin, compainant, v Leonard Vaninwagin, defendant. It satisfactor appearing te me by affidavit, that Leonard Vaninwagin, the above named defendant, resides in the

within three months from the date of this order, and within the same time cause his answer to the complainant's bill of complaint to be filed, and a copy thereof served on said complainant's solicitor, and in default thereof that said bill be taken as confessed by said defendant, Leonard Vaniawanin; and it is further ordered that within twenty days from the date, the said complainant cause a notice of this order to be published in the "ALPENA WELKELY ARSUR," a newspaper published in said County, and that said publication be continued in said newspaper for six weeks in succession, or that raid complainant Cause a copy of this order to be personally served on said defendant, at least twenty days before the time prescribed for his appearance.

JUDSON D. HOLMES, Circuit Court Commissioner for Alpena County

J. B. TUTTLE, complainant's solicitor. Swi A TTACHMENT.—The Circuit Court for the County of Alpena, in Altachment. James K. Lockwood and Henry S. Seage vs. John Trow bridge, Jr. Notice is hereby given, that on the 3rd day of July, A. D. 1871, a writ of attachment was issued out of the Circuit Court for the County of Alpena, at the suit of James K. Lockwood and Henry S. Seage, the above named plaintiffs, against the lands, tenements, goods, and chaffuls, moneys and effects of John Trowbridge, Jr., the defendant above named, for the sum of two thousand dollars, which said writ was returnable on the first Tuesday which said writ was returnable on the first Tuesdo; of July, 1871, and that by virtue of said writ prop

SUBSCRIBE FOR

THE ARGUS!

\*Come, come, little Turk ! put away your work And listen to what I say; What can I do but a quarrel brew With the man across the way! I've built my fence, but he won't commence To lay a single rail; Bis cattle get in, and the feed gets thin,

I am tempted to make a sale !" Why, John, dear John, how you do go on ! I'm afraid it will be as they say." "No, no, little wife, I have found that strife In a lawyer's hands don't pay.

The Line Fence.

While his sweet little wife, the pride of his life

Old farmer Smith came home in a miff

At her wheel was spinning away.

And over and anon, a guy little song With the buzz of her wheel kept time,

And the wrathful brow is clearing now,

Under the cheerful rhyme.

He's picked a flaw, to drive me to law, I have heard that he said he would; And you know, long ago, law wronged me so, I yowed I never should.

So what can I do, that I will not rue, To the man across the way !" "If that's what you want, I can holp you hau The man with a speatre gray!

Thirty dollars will do to carry you through And then you have gained a neighbor; It will cost you more to peep in the door Of a court, and much more labor. Just use your good sence-let's build him a fence

And shame such thoughts out of the fellow, They built up his part, and sent to his heart Love's dart where the good lay mellow That very same night, by candle light, They opened, with interest a letter; Not a word was there, but three green lacks fail. Said the man was growing better.

In the Mountains, In the fall of 1856 I was traveling eastward in a stage coach from Pittsburgh over the mountains. My fel low-travelers were two gentlemen and a lady. The oldest gentleman's appearance interested me exceedingly .-In years he seemed about fifty; in air and manner he was calm, dignified and polished, and the contour of his features was singularly intellectual .-He conversed freely on different topics, until the road became more His eyes, Intely filled with the light of

intelligence, became wild, restless, anxcally, and the forehead was beaded ious dread, and, turning to her father, and twelve months after the dreadful with a cold prespiration. With a sharp, convulsive shudder, he turned his gaze from the giddy height, and clutching my arm tightly with both hands, he clung to me like a drown-

'Use this cologne,' said the lady, handing me a bottle with the instinc-

tive goodness of her sex. I sprinkled a little on his face, and he became more composed; but it was not until we had entirely traversed the mountain, and descended into the country beneath, that his fine features relaxed from their perturbed look, words: and assumed the placid, quiet dignity that I had at first noticed.

'I owe an apology to the lady,' said he, with a bland smile and a gentle inelination of the hand to our fair companion, and some explanation, and to I cannot better acquit myself of the double debt than by recounting the cause of my recent agitation.'

'It may pain your feelings,' delicately urged the lady.

'On the contrary, it will relieve them,' was the respective reply.

Having signified our several desires to hear more, the traveler thus prococded SETRUA

At the age of eighteen I was light of foot, and I fear (he smiled) light of head. A fine property on the banks rolled over the mountain, and vivid me, and I began to feel weary and J. D. TUTTLE, Attemer for Pitts. of the Ohio acknowledged me sole flashes of lightning played over our depressed. The night was intensely joy it, and delighted to get free from moment the old planter standing erect, shining. The darkness, the silence, the college life. The month was October, with his hands on his son and daugh- long, weary way, exercised an opthe air bracing, and the mode of conter, his eyes raised to heaven, and his pressed influence on my spirits, and, oped everything, the state of the mode of conternal transfer of the mode of content and the mode of content veyance a stage like this, only more lips moving as if in prayer. I could though by no means a coward, I would cumbrous. The other passengers were see Louisa turn her ashy cheek toward have given anything for a little pleas. Attempt to reach my horse and trust ing over me on either side, with their few-only three in all-one grey-head- me as if imploring assistance; and I anter situation. ed planter of Louisiana, his daughter, could see the bold glance of the boy I spurred up my horse and dashed To my mind that seemed my chance, for Still, however, I resisted, for P was a joyous, bewitching creature about flashing indignant defiance at the war onward. In this way I proceeded several in an encounter with two such brawny not exactly the man to give up without seventeen, and his son, about ten years of elements, and the awful danger that miles further. Suddenly a low rumb villians, my prospects would be very a struggle, desperate as might be my

as to absorbe my entire attention.

with each other, that it was not until pice.

companied by successive flashes of motion. lightning. The rain descended in tor- The traveler paused. His features its fury. For a while I beat against may know what you've got to expect.

vehicle. The night was dark as cho-thrilling narrative. ny, but the frequent lightning show-I could see at intervals huge, jutting shade, joy and sorrow, mirth and sad- The deepest and most intense darkhair breadths that were between us cd all my questionings. I was kindly foot before my nose, and every other laugh. and eternity; a single little rock in the tended by a fair young girl of about sound was absorbed by the fierce belfrom our sublunary existence with the knowing the result of the accident.' speed of thought.'

countered a night like this, but By- the other.' ron's magnificent description of a thun-But are we on the mountains yet? ob- made her draw back and blush. served the lady, as I drew my head from the window.

'Yes, we have began the ascent.' 'It is said to be dangerous?'

'By no means,' I replied, in as easy a tone as I could assume.

But what's that?" and she covered her eyes from a sheet of lightning that il- pity you! I muttered in broken tones, brilliant intensity.

'Peal after peal of thunder instantly succeeded; there was a very vol- with a gush of heartfelt sympathy .-- flashed with blinking brighness and precipitous; but, on my directing his ume of rain coming down at each Would you like to see her? she ad- fury. Suddenly I felt, or thought I attention to the great altitude of a thunder-blast, and with the deeper ded. precipice, on the verge of which our moaning of an animal indreadful agocoach was leisurely rolling, there came my breaking upon our ears, I found and she received me with sorrowful demanded; a marked change on his countenance. that the coach came to a dead halt,

ious-the mouth twitched spasmodi- her eyes on mine with a look of anx. acquaint you that at last I succeeded, she hurriedly remarked

> 'We are on the mountains.' 'I reckon we are,' was the unconcern

ed reply. 'With instinctive activity, I put my head through the window and called to the driver, but the only answer was the monning of an animal, borne past me by the swift winds of the tempest. I seized the handle of the door and strained in vain-it would not yield. At that justant I felt a cold hand in mine, and heard Louisa faintly articulate in my car the following appalling

'The coach is moving backwards.' 'Never shall I forget the flerce agony with which I tugged at the coach door, and called on the driver in tones that rivaled the fierce blast of the tempest, whilst the conviction was my fellow-travelers also; and perhaps burning in my brain that the coach was being slowly moved backward!

'What followed was of so swift occurrence that it seemed to me like a frightful dream.

I rushed against the door with all my force, but it withstood my utmost and one night met with the adventure belied the most wenderful. Two myself safe then, but at that very moefforts. One side of the vehicle was which I now propose to relate. sensibly going down, down, down. The mouning of the agonized animal became deeper, and I knew from his desperate plunges that it was one of our desolate region. The last house I horses. Crash upon crash of thunder had passed was many miles behind anything but pleasant. owner. I was hastening home to en- heads. By its light I could see for a dark. Neither moon nor stars where They were just returning from perate plunge, a harsh grating jar, a tened, and in a few moments it was though, I must be quick, or the next seemingly could not well have been in France, of which country the young sharp, piercing scream of mortal ter- repeated. It was distant thunder, flash of lightning would betray my a worse condition. lady discoursed in terms so eloquent | ror, and I had but time to clasp Loui-The father was taciturn, but the waist, and seize the fastenings attached in anticipation. daughter was vivacious by nature, and to the coach roof with the other, when we soon became so mutually pleased we were precipitated over the preci- some place of shelter before the full cut-throats were doing, I could not no mean antagonist. By an effort of

eral tremendous peals of thunder ac- instantly deprived of all senses and the pealing of the thunder nearer and We steal fur a livin', we do, and we

rents, and an angry wind began to worked for a minute or two as they it determinedly; but the violence of Keep still, is my advice, or afore y r howl and moan through the forest did when we were on the mountain; the harricane was at length too know it, yer'll git a bullet into yer 'I looked from the window of our as if in pain, and then resumed his compelled to stop and seek the uncer-

on the edge of a frightful precipice. ed my eyes in this world of light and the storm I could not. rocks, far away down its side, and the ness. Gentle hands soothed my pil-ness enveloped everything. Except sight made me solicitous for my fair low, gentle feet glided across my cham- when the heavens were lighted up by companion. I thought of the mere ber, and a gentle voice for a time hush- flashes of lightning, I could not see a sight they set up a loud and brutal track of our coach wheel, a tiny billet sixteen, who refused for a time to hold lowings of the tempest. of wood, a stray root of the tempest- any discourse with me. At length, torn tree, restive horses, or a carcless one morning, finding myself sufficientdriver-any of these might hurl us ly recovered to sit up, I insisted on

"Tis a perfect tempest. How I ledge of rocks, amidst the branches of comfortable, if not as safe, as I should be does, he'll be the first man ever did ove a sudden storm! There is some a shattered tree, clinging to the roof beneath a roof. thing grand about the winds when fair- of your broken coach with one hand,

She was saved, sir, by the means that saved you-a friendly tree.' 'And her father and brother?' I im-

patiently demanded.' We found them both crushed to I only wish it was daylight, so that and we buried them in one grave by night, a thunder storm has occasioned rate the adventure might be, under we might enjoy the mountain seenery. the clover patch down in our meadow. 'Poor Louisa! poor orphan! God

lustrated the rugged mountain with utterly unconscious that I had a listener.

I found her in tears for her kindred, sweetness of manner. I need not des Louisa, my beautiful fellow-travel. tain you by describing the efforts I er, became pale as ashes. She fixed made to soothe her grief, but briefly

darkness to solitary prayer.

But the driver,' asked the lady passenger, who had listened to the stothe reason of his deserting his post?"

'His body was found on the road, within a few steps of the place where the coach went over. He had been struck dead by the same streak of lightning that blinded the restive horses.'

## A Thrilling Story.

In the year 1854 I was in Illinois,

I had been traveling a long way on horseback entirly unaccompanied. My road lay through a thinly settled

and a storm was coming up. Here purpose. sa firmly with one hand around her was a nice situation, and I shuddered Quietly I stooped down to the ground, handled me in anything but a gentle

a sudden flash of lightning and a hea- 'I can distinctly recollect preserving me. Onward I galloped, but without from hearing any customary sounds, regain my feet. Unfortunately, I had vy dash of rain against the windows consciousness for a few seconds of time, any apparent success. Nothing in the Their cars, however, were sharper than lost my knife in the struggle, and was elicited an exclamation from my charm- how rapidly my breath was becoming shape of habitation greeted my eyes, mine, for at the very first movement I entirely unarmed. Not so the cuting companion, that I knew how the exhausted, but of that tremendous de I began to despair. All the time, too, made, a loud coarse voice exclaimed: laws, for they still had the numerous \$2 PER YER, IN ADVANCE! night passed. Presently there came seent I soop lost all further knowledge the flashes of lightning where grow-

louder. Finally the storm burst in all kill for the fun o' the thing, so you he passed his hands across his torchead much for me, and I was carcass.

tain shelter of a tree, much as I was 'On a low couch in an humble room opposed to such a course. However, ning lit up the surrounding scene. ed the danger of our road. We were of a small country house, I next open- I had no other alternative, for brave

I dismounted and groped my way to the nearest tree. A flash of lightngest magnitude. Beneath its far

ly loose among the hills. I never en- and the insensible form of a lady with horse, I divested myself of my wet let us know it, rejoined the other conouter garments, and disposed my wea- fidently. 'And the lady ? I gasped, scanning ry body to enjoy as much comfort as der storm in Jura recurs to my migds the girl's face with an earnestness that was compatible under the circum- to the hands of two of the worst kind

death at the bottom of the precipice, tation to shudder. Ever since that an attempt to escape, however despeme considerable uncasiness.

In this manner half an hour may manner-still the loud thunder crack- to pass. 'God pity her, indeed, sir,' said she, ed and roared-still the lightning me. I leaped to my feet and quietly ing the spot where I was standing.

Who's there?" roar of the fearful storm.

occurrence which I have related, we might be some wild beast. If such we are. Yer money or yer life's what stood at the alter as man and wife .- should prove to be the case, it would we want, an' if yer don't like that She still lives to bless me with her be almost impossible to guard against we'll take both without askin'. What smiles, but on the anniversary of that its attack under such circumstances; der yer say, stranger-what shall it terrible night she secludes herself in and made my heart beat like a steam be? Ef yer fur a fight, sing out, an' her room, and devotes the hours of engine to think of the danger in hi guess we kin accommodate yer .-'As for me,' added the traveler, felt for my pistols; they were in the ready for a scrimmage. Now, of yer while a faint blush tinged his noble holsters, and I dared not move from brow, as for me, that accident has re- the spot where I was standing for fear a round inter yer, we will certin. duced me to the condition of a physi- of provoking the attack which I drearcal coward at the sight of a mountain ed, and which I was in such a poor outlaw in speaking, I had been pre-

position to resist. I drew my knife-the only weapon ry with much attention, what became stepped back a few paces, and, without of the driver, and did you ever learn any thought or design, demanded who

was there, if it was anything human. At that moment a vivid flash of lightning illuminated the surrounding darkness, and for an instant rendered evrything visible. A few steps before me two ferocious and blood thirsty looking men were standing.

Plainly enough, they were both cut-throats and thieves; or if they were not, their brutal appearance more diabolical looking wretches it has never been my ill-luck to encounno earthly reason to doubt; and, situated as I was, the prospect was

Both the desperadoes held pistols in their hands, and the weapons were leveled at my heart.

All this I saw at a quick glance, and then again the deepest darkness envel- can't, so you'd better not try.'

What should I do? I thought .awaited him. There was a roll, a des- ling noise attracted my attention. I lis- slim. Whatever course I adopted, chances, and at that moment they

> Again I spurred up, hoping to find rection of my horse. What the two lease of strength, and they found me force of the storm should burst over tell, for the tempest prevented me all my powers, I at length managed to

one two thre four thre, six one 

Local Notices, ten cents per line each insertion, and all notices continued for three months or longer, a discount of 25 per cent. from these rates, Editorial Notices 15 cents per line for each insertion; no notice inserted for less than one dollar. Advertisements unaccompanied by written or verbal directions will be published three months and charged accordingly.

Advertisements, under contract, ordered out before expiration of time, will be charged full rates.

No paper dixontinued until all arrearges are paid except at the option of the publisher.

Transient advertisements must be paid in advance.

E Terms, CASH, payable quarterly. a low, rumbling sound, and then sev- by a concussion so violent that I was ing more and more vivid and glaring, get away from h'ar till ye've paid toll.

> For a moment I besitated, and in that moment another flash of light-

There stood the two outlaws with their flendish looking eyes glaring wiekedly on me. The flash of lightning also revealed

my own position to them, and at the 'Must think we are a couple of nin-

nies, Jake!' remarked one to the other. 'The cuss don't know we're sorter owls, an' kin see better in the dark ing showed me it was one of the lar- nor in the light,' replied number two. 'Fancies he'll 'scape us, hi guess!' 'You were discovered sitting on a spreading branches, I might be as continued the first speaker. 'Well, if

that sort of thing!

After attending somewhat to my When he gets away, hi 'ope he'll

That I had unfortunately fallen inof outlaws, everything more and more The tempest emtinued with no betokened. I knew well with such sign of abatement. Never before had men the life of a human being was of I seen such lightning, never before no more account than the life of a heard such thunder. It was terrify- dog, and inwardly resolved only to ing and I could not resist the temp- part with it, if part with it I must, in such circumstances.

It was about time for another flash have passed. Still the storm howled of lightning, and straightening myself on in the most furious and terrible up to avoid suspleion, I waited for it The next moment it came with

blinding brilliancy. The outlaws had not moved a step, felt something brush slightly against but remained as at first, closely regard-

'Come stranger!' yelled the same one who had addressed me before, 'it's I listened; got no answer; and about time we had a better undernothing was to be heard above the standing all roun'. Yer see, we don't like ter fool long, an' we've been play-The thought struck me that it in with yer till we're bout tired out. which I was probably standing. I Fightin's our element, an' we're alwaya don't do somethin' at wunst, we'll fire

During the time occupied by the paring myself for the attempt. Summoning all my courage, all my energy, which I had about me-suddenly I all my determination, I assumed an attitude most favorable to my purpose, and bounded forward at a most desperate speed, in hopes of effecting my

The outlaws uttered a loud vell, and let me know that they understood my purpose, and were following in my tracks. But I expected as much and consequently was not at all surprised. Two muscular bounds placed me beside my horse, and with a single spring I vaulted into the saddle. I thought met violent hands laid upon me; and a flash of lightning soon showed me ter. That they meant no good, I had that if I had been quick, my assailants had not been far behind me.

> I desperately attempted to start my horse, but before I could do so, the outlaws dragged me from my seat and bore me to the ground.

'No go, stranger,' said one of them. 'yer can't git away from us no how, you

I was down on the ground on my back, and the desperadoes were stoopto providence for my final escape? knees pressed tightly against my chest.

My assailaints grew furious, and and prepared to crawl away in the di- manner, but desperation gave me a new

(Continued on Pourth Lage)